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To: School Food Authorities (SFAs) and Food Service Directors Participating in Child Nutrition Programs

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Subject: Outreach to Households on the Availability of Summer Food Service Program Meals

PLEASE forward this important information to all persons with Child Nutrition Program responsibilities.

On January 25, 2011, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a policy memo relating to Section 112, Outreach to Households on the Availability of Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) Meals, of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act (HHFKA) of 2010.

In the memo, the USDA provides guidance on the provision that requires schools to conduct outreach on the availability of the SFSP before the end of the school year. The provision also ensures that school food authorities (SFAs) cooperate with SFSP service institutions to inform eligible families of the availability and location of free meals for students when the regular school year ends.

This policy memo from USDA may be accessed on our website at http://dpi.wi.gov/fns/pdf/gm_sfsp_04_2011.pdf. A list of the 2010 SFSP sponsors in Wisconsin can also be found on our website: <http://dpi.wi.gov/fns/sfsp1.html>. This list should be used to determine if a non-school SFSP sponsor exists within your community. Please contact the person listed regarding the sponsors plans for providing meals this summer.

Section 112, Outreach to Households on the Availability of Summer Food Service Program Meals of the HHFKA was effective October 1, 2010.